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Recreation services spends \$11.5 million

JENNIFER PATTERSON
STAFF WRITER

On July 1, new ground will be broken with the \$11.5 million Recreation Services building. It is scheduled to be completed in September 2001. The 85,000 square-foot facility will house amenities such as a fitness area with over seventy weight and cardiovascular machines, four basketball/volleyball courts, a suspended jogging track, three aerobic and martial-arts rooms, a juice and snack bar, and women's and men's locker rooms. The Wellness Center and the administrative offices for Recreation Services will also be located in the building.

Funding for the project came from the Capital Improvement Trust Fund. "Basically, a percentage of the student hourly tuition automatically goes into this

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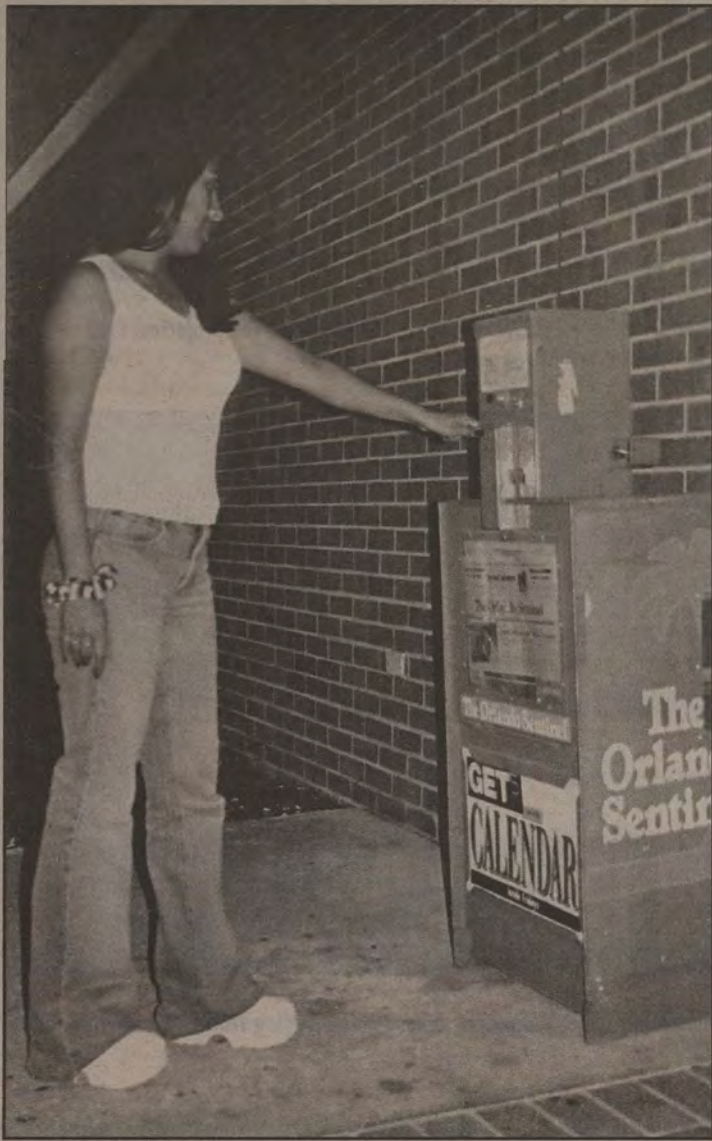


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Lizeth Osorio, a junior, buys an Orlando Sentinel from the machine outside the Visual Arts building.

SGA purchases Orlando Sentinel for students

ANDREA KEEGAN
STAFF WRITER

The UCF Student Government Association and the Orlando Sentinel signed a subscription contract this past week allocating \$60,000 of the Student Activity and Service Fee to secure daily delivery of the Orlando Sentinel newspaper to the UCF campus starting in the Fall semester.

Newspapers will be distributed by the Sentinel to the UCF campus twice a day on days that classes are scheduled for the Fall 2000 and Spring 2001 semesters. Investment in several electronic distribution boxes by the Sentinel will allow students to receive the paper for free by swiping his or her student ID. This will make certain that the papers are free for students only. These specially designed, electronic newspaper

bins will be located throughout campus.

The contract also includes a student insert that will be printed, inserted, and distributed on Fridays at cost only to the Sentinel. Karen Breneman, the new Director of Campus Services for SGA, is very excited about the vision for the student insert that is tentatively being titled 'The Independent.'

"It will be a student insert in the sense that students control what is published, but it will not be limited to student contributions," she says. The content of the student insert will include a weekly schedule of events, stories of student accomplishments, but will mainly focus on local and world issues as presented in editorial format by students and faculty.

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UCF film student writes, directs 'Alone and Restless'

JENNIFER PLANTE
STAFF WRITER

The upcoming film, Alone and Restless, will be the first feature film developed by University of Central Florida students and alumni since the Blair Witch Project's release last year.

UCF film student Michael Thomas Dunn wrote and will direct the feature length drama. At age 22, Alone and Restless will be the first feature film he has directed.

Alone and Restless follows the story of one extraordinary man's life for a year. The film examines the hardships of life, urban violence, and homelessness. Alone and Restless will be filmed entirely in Central Florida.

This will be the first feature film ever to be shot in a mixture of formats, including analog video, digital video, HDTV, 16mm reversal and negative film stocks, Dunn said. Each of these formats has a different look to it and will tie into the story line, he continued.

Dunn said that the script for Alone and Restless is much darker and edgier than what he usually writes, and will consist of a large cast of over 80 speaking roles. Several of the actors are UCF students.

"Alone and Restless started as a pipe dream," said Dunn. "I then pooled resources with others in the film school, and it took off," he continued. Shooting for Alone and Restless began in May, and is slated for release in early 2001.

Dunn said that comparison between Alone and Restless and the Blair Witch Project is inevitable, but he does not mind. "I give a lot of credit to the Blair Witch Project," he said. "Without them, none of this would be possible."

Through Alone and Restless, "I really want to show what UCF's film school can do by using students while they are still students," Dunn said. Some of Dunn's other films include The Standoff (1999), Out of Time (1998) and Midnight Conflict (1998). Portions of Midnight Conflict were filmed in the Student



Dunn

Union in 1997.

Alone and Restless is produced by Innovative Productions, a growing independent production company. Innovative Productions is staffed with alumni from several Orlando-based film schools. It was founded in 1999 to assist young filmmakers and to develop experimental and documentary films.

Parking garage south to open soon

DARCY ELENA RODRIGUEZ
STAFF WRITER

The hassles of parking at UCF may be far from over, but they will shortly be eased. The new parking garage South, located on Gemini Boulevard South, will be open for the fall semester of 2000.

The parking garage has been under construction since early September 1999 and will be opening the week before classes begin for the fall term. It will house an additional 1300 vehicles.

"August 15 is the target date," said John Clark, manager of parking services. The structure is currently complete. Light fixtures remain to be finished and work is under way. The only foreseeable setbacks would be weather conditions. These setbacks, says Clark, will probably not delay the finishing of the building, but may hinder the progress of the landscaping around the garage.

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Recreation building part of two phase project

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fund," said Mark Hall, Director of the Student Union. The decision for the project was approved two years ago on a recommendation submitted by the Student Government Association and President John Hitt.

The building will be located adjacent to the existing swimming pool. "It's nice to have all the recreational services located in one central location, as opposed to dispersed all around campus as they are now," said one student.

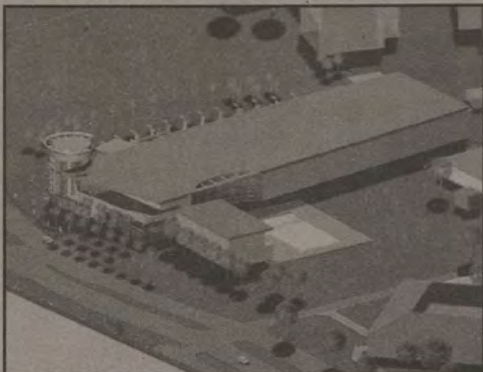
Although the new facility promises an expansion in many of the university recreation services, racquetball courts will no longer be an activity provided. "Originally, racquetball courts and an indoor swimming pool were included in the basic plans for the building, but unfortunately because of budget reasons it had to be cut," said Hall. "Dollar for dollar, square foot per square foot, the racquetball courts did not

serve as many students as the other amenities in the building."

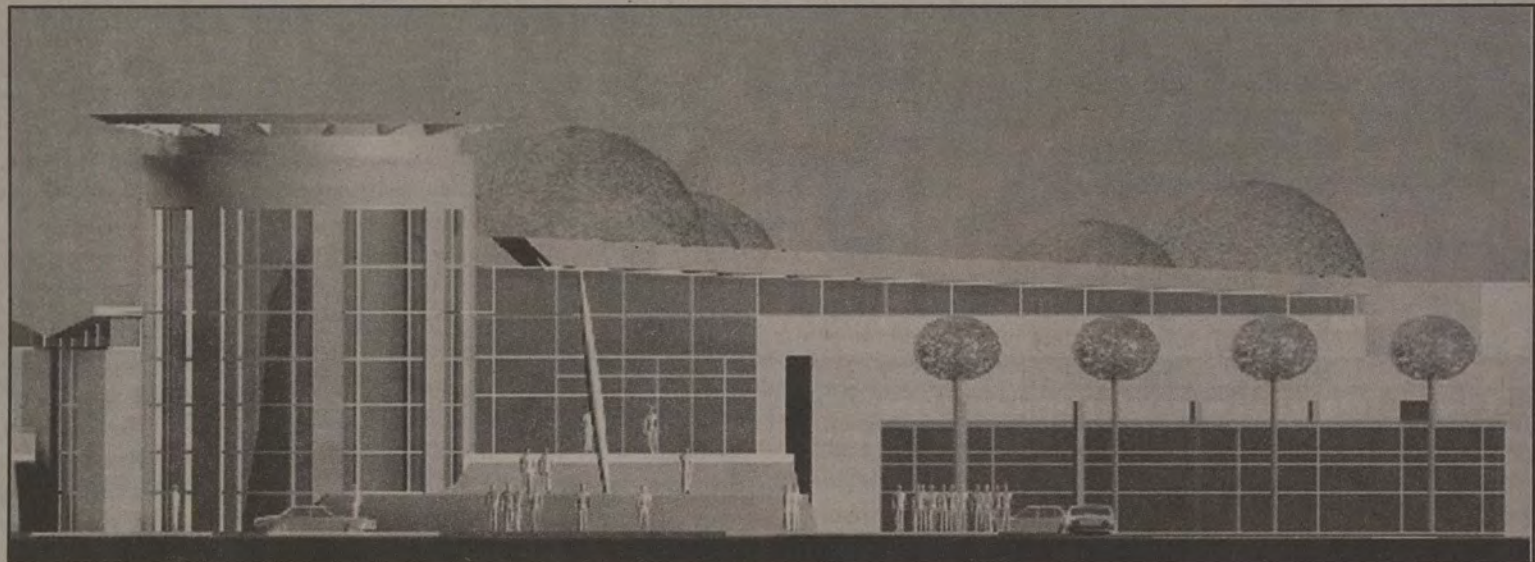
The building, however, is a two-phase project and is planned to double in size once it is finally completed. Included in the plans for expansion are the indoor swimming pool, racquetball courts, and an indoor rock climbing facility.

"I think this building is long overdue, but welcome. A large facility such as this is the cornerstone of any university," said sophomore, Mandy Walker.

An artists rendering of the projected 11.5 million project.



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The new facility will boast over seventy weight and cardiovascular machines, four basketball/volleyball courts, a suspended jogging track, three aerobic and martial-arts rooms, a juice and snack bar, and women's and men's locker rooms.

Police Beat

Vending Machine Thief Caught

JENNIFER PATTERSON
STAFF WRITER

Two UCF custodians, Patrick Diaz and Annie Oliver, have received honors for their role in catching a vending machine thief who struck randomly between March 13-May 30 of this year. More than \$1,000 was taken from the machines and much damage was done. Diaz encountered the subject twice. First on March 13 in the Education Building where the man fled, and again in Trailer 547 after machines had been forced open. Diaz then contacted campus police. Oliver then identified the suspect in a surveillance photo as a former employee of a private custodial company.

The man arrested is a suspect in similar crimes at Orlando City Hall. "We couldn't have solved the case without Patrick or Annie," UCF Police Sgt. Troy Williamson said.

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SGA finalizes cabinet selection for fall 2000 Sentinel

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 · Director of Governmental Affairs: John Newstreet
 · Director of Housing, Transportation and Safety: Richard Payne
 · Director of Campus Services: Karen Breneman
 · Director of Multi-Cultural Affairs: Larry Macon (To be Appointed in the Fall)
 · Director of Pride, Tradition and Campus Involvement: Kristen Murphy (To be Appointed in the Fall)
 · Director of Technology: Ryan Mayer
 · Director of the President's Project Corp: Eddie Ruiz

DIANA MARTIN
 STAFF WRITER

Sprenkle, Pena and Kurle have appointed a Cabinet consisting of 11 positions to assist in accomplishing SPK's goals for the upcoming semester.

The newly appointed Cabinet will work to cover every aspect and responsibility of the Executive Branch, from advising clubs to managing SGA's agencies.

"I believe we had very high standards in our search process," said Kurle. "We wanted Cabinet members that were excited and would stay committed and would go above and beyond what they were called to do."

Each director will work both individually and as a team to oversee an essential element of the SPK administration.

"In making our decisions for Cabinet, we were breaking new ground. Taking an entirely fresh step for UCF Student Government we completely opened up the Cabinet search process. Never before has an administration so aggressively advertised the availability of Director positions," said Kurle.

According to Kurle, the selection process for the numerous applicants was difficult to

those who sat on the interview panel.

"We looked for experience, time availability, professionalism, if he or she could be a team player, a good attitude, passion for the job and for students, innovative ideas, if he or she would be an initiator, enthusiasm and com-

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"We wanted Cabinet members that were excited and would stay committed and would go above and beyond what they were called to do."

—Christine Kurle

mitment."

Legislative Vice President Marco Pena also sat on the interview panel.

"Everyone that applied had great ideas and had an enthusiasm for UCF that I have rarely

seen during my tenure at UCF," said Pena. "To run a successful business you have to go above and beyond the call of duty. Our cabinet will go above and beyond the call of duty and the students will realize that the new era of student government has come to fruition."

"I hope to decrease tuition, increase funding for financial aid, get more students involved, and boost our image and relationships with the state. I wish to host a successful Legislative Breakfast (13th Annual), build a bridge between students and administration, and I want to make the students more aware of current issues and also create more political activism on campus," said John Newstreet, recently elected Director of Governmental Affairs.

"I plan to maintain the SGA website as well as improve it to support responses from the students. I plan to incorporate online voting into the site. I will be overseeing the SGA computer labs and updating them as needed," stated Ryan Mayer, the new Director of Technology.

"We wanted diversity and I believe we achieved that. I'm extremely confident and excited about our new Cabinet," said Kurle.

available
 starting
 Fall term

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"There is a wealth of wisdom on this campus, not to mention a lot of strong opinions and even a modicum of humor. My objective is to instigate an open dialogue, where professors and students can engage in discussion that transcends the classroom experience," Breneman said.

Both SGA and the Sentinel hope that the paper will be used as a teaching tool in the classroom. Now that students will have access to local and world issues on a daily basis, the general level of current event awareness will be raised and the potential for classroom discussion is great.

The Sentinel will be available on the first day of Fall classes with the first issue of the student insert appearing on the first Friday. If you have any questions concerning the Sentinel or other Student Government issues you can contact SGA at (407) 823-2191.

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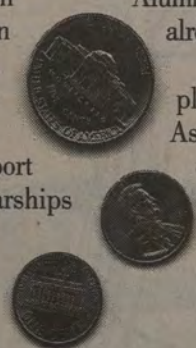
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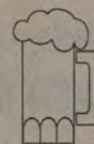
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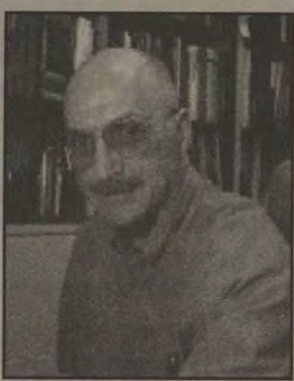
CREOL brings brighter, sharper images to television

JENNIFER PATTERSON
STAFF WRITER

Nestled in an inconspicuous location behind the Business and Engineering buildings is the 82,000 square-foot Center for Research and Education in Optical Lasers (CREOL). Although relatively few students know the function of this building as in comparison to more popular places on campus, this center is the home of groundbreaking research and innovations in the area of lasers, optics, and photonics.

One of the latest breakthroughs to come from CREOL, is the laser-based technology for TV screens developed by Dr. Michael Bass, UCF School of Optics/CREOL. What's at stake? Brighter color images, finer definition and thus the ability for higher-quality large screen TV's, and a lower cost due to inexpensive materials and less energy consumption.

The new technology beams lasers instead of electrons as the cathode ray tubes in today's televisions do. As the screen in a modern television gets larger the tube behind it must also increase in length, which creates the bulky, box effect. The laser technology, however, operates by



Bass

reflecting light beams using mirrors, making the depth far less than the electron-energized television sets or personal computers. "Electrons cannot fold over because of the laws of physics, but we can fold light beams over using mirrors," said Bass.

The technology can be used for anything one may want to display, in addition to television screens. One of the most immediate functions is for transparent head-up displays as in cars and airplanes. Currently, car windshields are made of a laminate of glass, plastic, and glass. The laminate in the windshield can be made to contain the display material needed for the laser technology, which is an inexpensive type of plastic scattered with crystalline powders that emit different kinds of light when

zapped by low power, invisible, near infrared diode laser.

"Suppose one is out driving. It is much safer to see one's speed and other information in front of them and in the direction they are driving instead having to take their eyes off the road to look at it," said Bass. Similarly, the same is true for pilots.

The implementation of this patent pending technology will not be immediate. "The fundamental scientific questions have been resolved," says Bass. "What remains are mostly issues that relate to compact packaging of the scanning laser beam optics and uniform distribution of the (crystalline) powders in the plastic."

The School of Optics/CREOL is one of only three independent optics academic departments in the nation. The School of Optics/CREOL has grown to an internationally recognized institute with twenty-one full time faculty members and one hundred and twenty graduate students. Other current research activities at the school include Diffractive and Holographic Optics, Virtual Reality and Medical Engineering, and Theory of Light Matter Interaction.

A fourth parking garage in the works for 2001

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The construction costs for the garage approximate to \$9 million. Funding for the garage comes from the purchase of parking decals. Decals also

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"I'm glad it's opening up. It'll be a big help, but they still need to open one more garage."

—Nancy Rodriguez, junior

Parking on campus is no easy task and students have an excess of complaints.

"I know come fall, it'll be challenging to find a spot," said junior, Lisa Trimarchi.

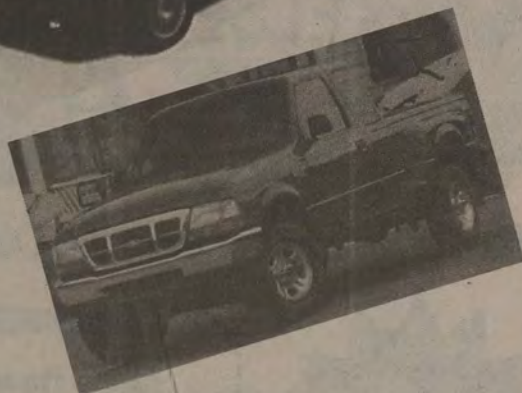
"It's terrible," said junior, Nancy Rodriguez, of parking on campus.

Clark anticipates construction of a fourth parking garage to begin in March of Spring 2001. If the funding is available and all goes well, UCF will enjoy another garage opening for the Fall semester of 2002.

During the summer terms, the number of vehicles lessen and parking becomes easier. The fall term will see an increase in the number of students and their vehicles.

The UCF Parking Services website (<http://parking.ucf.edu>) provides some advice. Students arriving on campus before 10 am will usually find a spot rather quickly. After 10 am, parking lots near buildings will most likely be full. There are currently over 11,400 parking spaces on campus.

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UCF Graduate students
publish art book

JENNIFER PATTERSON
STAFF WRITER



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Dr. Kristin Congdon (second from left) and the Green Room Gang show a collection of art from their book "Affirmations: Artists Speak" in front of the Visual Arts building.

Seven University of Central Florida students published a 63-page book called "Affirmations: Artists Speak" as the culminating project of their graduate art history course. Called "The Greenroom Group" because of the location of their class in the House of Blues, the students highlighted 15 folk artists who are displayed at the House of Blues.

Each artist is "recognized for their unique abilities to communicate their experiences and beliefs through painting, found object assemblages and other distinctive approaches," according to student spokesperson Veronica Lewinger.

The students' research of the artists included traveling to the artists' studios in Florida, Georgia, and Alabama to get firsthand insights about their creative processes. The printing was funded by the UCF Art Department and the Jaeanine Taylor Folk Art Gallery of Winter Park. The Florida Folklore Society will manage sales of the book.

UCF scientist using DNA research

Microbiology professor Henry Daniell, is a leading researcher in the use of gene manipulation in order to build better plants and human beings.

"Most of my research is to address immediate human concerns," he says.

To date, he has developed synthetic peptides that poke holes in deadly bacteria, discovered how to produce massive quantities of vaccines and insulin from tobacco plants, and has figured out a way to make crops resistant to both drought and insects.

Help for homeless unfairly distributed

UCF graduate students recently conducted a \$45,000 study of the Central Florida Homeless population. Included in their research, was the daily estimated homeless population of 5,700, with Orange County having 3,500 alone.

Carol Zuzazaga, a doctoral candidate, says her group of graduate social work researchers found that help for the homeless is unfairly distributed in the region. The UCF students have made recommendations to community leaders and care givers in Orange, Seminole and Osceola counties on changes that would improve services and make them cost-effective.

Football tickets on sale

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OPINION

College for dummies: Is there a guide to life after college?

BETH SHAW
STAFF WRITER

Lately I have been having that "what am I going to do with my life" question pop up. And the answer just isn't there. It seems that all of my life I have been told how important an education is, and while I understand that, I am not quite aware of what that entails. I mean exactly how much of an education is important? Is there some measurement for this? I have heard that there is no such thing as too much of an education but exactly how does that apply to the real world? When I am

asked what I am going to do after I graduate my first response is usually, "go to grad school", but do I really need that?

Upon talking to good old dad that other day I became more confused then ever. The man whom I thought would be behind me all the way to a Ph.D., told me his obligations were over after four years and that I could always work and then go back to school. I'm sorry what? The perpetual pounding of 'get an education' speech seemed almost null and void. Like when you get to college and realize that working hard in high school doesn't

always pay off. I suppose the speech could have manifested into something more in my head, and now I am left with an impending feeling of doom, also known as, "Would you like fries with that?" What if I get stuck in a dead end job where because of my lack of experience and education leaves me just that-- stuck?

I am fully aware that many people graduate with bachelor's degrees, find lucrative and rewarding jobs and live the proverbial happily ever after. But what about the others? I like my area of study but I don't love it and its too late to go back now.

My chest tightens thinking about what is to become of my future. How important is a degree? Does the degree make the opportunities or does the person make opportunities?

All through high school I thought I knew what I wanted to do and I thought the possibilities were endless. But now it seems that I keep running into areas that interest me, but I will never be able to do them because I don't have the time or the money. Now that I think of it, it's amazing how much one really learns in college.

Okay so I am not a 4.0 student and I am definitely not one

of those 'I hate school' people, so maybe there is a happy medium for people like me. Showbiz. No seriously. I guess whatever road I travel whether it's straight to the job world after I graduate or on to more schooling no one can tell me what is best for my future but me. Unless of course Robert Frost appears to me in a dream. As for now I am left wondering the aisle of Barnes and Noble looking for a book entitled College and Beyond: For Dummies.

There is no such thing as free

ADAM SHIVER
STAFF WRITER

What is that old saying, 'There's no such thing as a free lunch.' This is exactly right. Nothing in the world is ever free.

This is certainly true with the deal that has been proposed to Student Government (SG). The Orlando Sentinel is propositioning UCF's SG for approximately

\$60,000 in order to get them to purchase the Orlando Sentinel at a reduced cost. The Sentinel would then be distributed daily to the student body. This would allow for students to pick up a copy of the Sentinel around campus without having to plop down their hard-earned 50 cents. But is this really something free for students?

On the surface it seems

great. I know I would love to get the Sentinel every day. The only reason I don't order it to be delivered to my home every morning is due to the high cost, and my ever-tightening student budget. But free would be great, if in fact this deal made the Sentinel free to students.

Unfortunately if you look a bit deeper, the paper is going to be purchased using monies col-

lected from students through the Student Activities fees. This means that in fact everyone on campus will be buying the Sentinel each and every day. The good thing about it though is that the cost will be less than that of the newsstand price. The bad thing is that you get a 14% reduction if you order the Sentinel to be delivered to your home daily. So getting it through SG is not

going to help me, or many other students out much in the cost department.

The other unfortunate thing is that if you are not on campus on a certain day and don't get to pick up your 'free' copy of the Sentinel then you are out of luck for the day. You have already paid

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Taking things for granted

DARCY ELENA RODRIGUEZ
STAFF WRITER

Gazing at the stack of dishes sitting on the counter waiting to be washed, I roll up my sleeves and bring out the Palmolive. I rearrange the dishes to make the job easier and turn on the faucet. But to my surprise and horror, only a thin streak of water comes out. I check the bathroom sink, tub, and toilet to find that there is very little water anywhere. I am shortly informed that the city has been flushing pipes and I'm not the only one with this problem.

Going back to the dishes, which by now seem twice as many, I really roll up my sleeves and settle for a good half-hour of dishwashing. Completing in 33 minutes what I would normally get done in 15 was rather annoying. But the worst was yet to come.

Having to take a shower with a bucket, since there is not enough water pressure for the water to actually reach the shower head, is no fun either.

Thoroughly disgusted, I find myself complaining about all the wasted time and how the city has disturbed my peace when I am told "Just imagine if it was like this all the time."

I stopped complaining and imagined. It really would be awful. Now I feel bad for complaining so much. All of the sudden, I hear a loud rush of water and see the cat running out of the bathroom. I pop up the faucet and the water is back to normal.

I feel a rush of aggravation for all the trouble I went through and stop to consider. This disaster lasted almost an hour and I thought I was going to have a heart attack. It suddenly occurred to me that I have taken always having a steady stream of water for granted.

It appears that many of us today take many things for granted. We seldom, if ever, stop to think what would happen if the water stopped all together.

Most of us have never gone without water for more than a couple of hours. We haven't had to worry about there being clean water coming out of the faucet.

I shouldn't complain. No one should. The next time we think we're about to cease functioning for petty inconveniences such as these, we had better stop to think if we aren't just taking it for granted. Just imagine if it was like that all the time.

Student wants choice about paying for paper

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for it, but aren't going to get to read it that day. For people such as myself who usually schedule all of their classes on two or three days of the week, we will miss out on obtaining the paper on a regular basis.

Also, if you don't happen to make it to a Sentinel newspaper stand before they are gone (on one of your two days on campus) then you are again going to be totally out of luck.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Nicolas Cage puts the pedal to the medal

PATTY CANEDO
STAFF WRITER

Are you tired of the same cookie cutter, two-hour episode of "Dawson's Creek" teen flick with the same four actors? Or how about the overly predictable bang bang shut'em up movie? Well there is something a little faster and greasier out on the big screen. "Gone In 60 Seconds" is a star-studded film for all you grease monkey, gear heads out there or for you all that just want to see awesome cars go super fast.

No this movie probably won't sweep the Oscars but then again who cares? If you want Oscar material good luck finding it but in the mean time check out a movie that will actually entertain you.

The troubled Randall "Memphis" Raines (Nicolas Cage) is called back to his life of crime when his little brother Kip (Giovanni Ribisi) tries to step into Memphis's old shoes by stealing cars for a very dangerous man. Once Kip fails Memphis

must call upon his old "associates" in order to succeed at the mission to save his brother's life-stealing 50 cars in three days. Joining Memphis along this ride are his "veteran" friends Mirror Man (TJ Cross), The Sphinx (Vinnie Jones), Sara "Sway" Wayland (Angelina Jolie), Otto Halliwell (Robert Duvall) and many more.

But these aren't just any cars they are rare and classic cars that are being watched by one of Memphis's old friends, Det. Roland Castlebeck (Delroy Lindo) and his young partner Det. Drycoff (Timothy Olyphant). Along the road to achieving their mission they stumble across many bumps, sudden turns and chases. Although the story may sound cut and dry, you will be hanging off the end of your seat by the time the credits roll.

What made this film such a must see are the funny and talented performances of every individual. It is hard to determine however who is the lead man. Although Nicolas Cage has a

strong character delivered by a strong performance it is supported and enhanced by those around him.

Although not everyone's performance were very memorable. Angelina Jolie plays the role of the seductive macho chick with motor oil as her perfume and blonde dirty dread locks. She is the love that Memphis left behind with his old life. She sticks out more than a Honda parked in the middle of the three brand new Mercedes that are acquired for the movie.

Jolie fights for the role of leading lady with "Eleanor" or as Ford calls her, '67 Shelby Mustang GT 500 in a sleek shade of gray. "Eleanor" is the one that almost costs Memphis his freedom because she is impossible to break into and even harder to find.

If you're looking for a movie with depth and heart, see something else. But if you're looking for a flick that'll leave you saying, "Wow has it been two hours already?" then check out "Gone In 60 Seconds".



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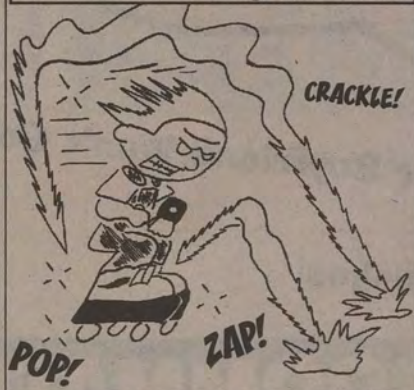
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Music Maniac: music news

PATTY CANEDO
STAFF WRITER

From the Mosh Pit:

The Red Hot Chili Peppers played an amazing concert at the TD Water House Theatre with special guests the Foo Fighters on June 15. Thousands of excited fans filled the arena for the twice-sold out show. However it was the club hoppers hanging out at the Sapphire Supper Club who got the real thrill. The

Peppers and the Fighters of Foo took their instruments for a post concert jam. The group walked right into the club, shocking everyone there and played four or five songs for those unfortunates who could scrounge up a ticket for the big show. Talk about being at the right place at the right time!

Hometown Boys:

The rock, alternative, punk sound of HOECK has been quite these last few months, since they turned out a great performance for the UCF

International Fashion Show. But how else can a great band break a long silence? With their FIRST FLORIDA TOUR! Those months were not wasted the group's East Coast fans were rocked at the Hustler in Indiatlantic on June 16. Zallyhoo opened for HOECK along with another local band. This was just one of many shows to be performed by the foursome so keep your ear open to Melissa Foxx's show on AM740, 101.1 WJRR, Real Radio 104.1 and check out the band's website,

www.hoeck.org for info and music samples.

Monster Mania:

When Russ Rollins bought an hour of airtime on 540AM in 1993 who knew it would become one of the most successful midday shows in Real Radio history. Shortly after the first show, Dirty Jim hopped on board and the Monsters of the Mid-day were born. For years now the comical duo have been cracking Orlando up with Jim's stories of a frustrating sex life with Russ's sister, sound effects

and music mixed with the hard working promo skills and creative discussion topics of Russ.

Well a warm "Happy Anniversary" is extended to them from all their listeners! But what could these two do to appropriately mark this occasion? Why of course throw a kicking concert! Grumpy Flo and Olive Carpet got together at the Hard Rock Live on June 16 for the special night. Fans lined up to celebrate and listen to great music in a style that was totally the Monsters' own.

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Tony Roma's is not just the place for ribs

PATTY CANEDO
STAFF WRITER

The weekend is the time to cut back and have fun but for most of us we await the weekend with dread and empty pockets. Pay bill or party? Oh the endless struggle that usually brings down the excitement before Friday night even arrives. Perhaps there is somewhere you can hang out at that won't cause your phone to get shut off.

The latest addition to the UCF area in the restaurant chain game is Tony Roma's Rib Grill. Since 1972 Tony Roma's have been popping up all over the country but in the last three years they have made room for the new "Rib Grill" style restaurant. The menu has not been tampered with but rather the atmosphere of the restaurant. The new look is designed for comfort and a laid back feeling.

However, it's not only the look of the restaurant that makes you feel at home. The friendly crew goes out of their way to make sure you get your fill of food and fun with very prompt service.

Of course the main attraction is the food! The alluring smell from the grill will have your mouth watering before you even get your menu. The best way to take care of that is to start out with one of the many tasty appetizers. A golden fried onion loaf will make a great excuse to try out the special Tony Roma's barbecue sauces. Each flavor mixing well with the hand cut Spanish onions. Or if you're on a date and onion breath isn't the impression you want to make no worries Roma's potato soup is world famous. Dripping over the bowl with chunks of potatoes, cheese, green onions, and bacon in a creamy, peppery broth. Of course there are many other appetizers to choose from but you got to leave room for the main course.

Another problem arises though, what to order for dinner? With such a diverse menu it's hard to choose. The most popular item on the menu and what has made Tony Roma's so successful are the signature ribs. However the menu doesn't end there. The delicious Southwestern Chicken is a marinated chicken breast grilled and topped with Roma's original sauce, two kinds of melted cheese and chopped tomatoes and onions. If you can't make



The friendly staff at Tony Roma's, coupled with the food, gives UCF something to enjoy right down the street.

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up your mind you can always order a combo meal.

The steak and shrimp plate is a huge portion of beef grilled to your specification and tangy

grilled jumbo shrimp. Every item menu comes with at least one side dish; the corn fritter casserole is a very unique concoction prepared at Roma's. Definitely not like

corn bread, the casserole is moist with chunks of corn and falls apart like a cake. With so much food it's hard to believe that Roma's makes dessert. A warm

apple crisp or a chocolate explosive brownie is a delicious way to end a hearty meal.

The food tastes better than it sounds but it won't cost you as much as you would think. If you're in the mood to just have a few drinks Roma's special is two for one all day on domestic drafts, house wines, well and calls; appetizers are half priced from 11 to 7. You can also grab a friend and try the "Two for Ten Lunch". You and your buddy can choose from soup and salad, barbecue chicken, Carolina pulled chicken sandwich, burgers, pork sandwiches and more. For dinner Roma's also offers the Ultimate Feast which is full of all different types of food for \$9.99.

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Whass up Hollywood?

HARMEET SIDHU

STAFF WRITER

Rapper Eminem is being investigated for possible weapons concealment. Authorities are looking into a confrontation that occurred during the early hours of June 4. Eminem and three other people were arrested outside a Detroit nightclub. Eminem was following his wife, Kim Mathers, that evening because she was suspected of meeting another person. Apparently Eminem's wife and John Guerra, the other man, were kissing. Eminem saw them and told Guerra, "I'm going to kill you." Guerra is suing for damages, accusing Eminem of striking him in the head and face.

In other Eminem news, the rapper appeared in a Michigan courtroom after an encounter with Douglas Dail, a member of the group Insane Clown Posse. Eminem is charged with felony possession of a concealed weapon and a misdemeanor charge of waving a firearm. The two men spoke to each other before Eminem pulled a gun on Dail, but he did not threaten him. This incident occurred one week after Eminem's Detroit scuffle.

Singer Celine Dion is pregnant with her first child through in vitro fertilization. Dion announced her pregnancy in a statement on June 9, "This time it's for real-I'm pregnant. In three weeks, if all goes well, we'll hear the heart of our baby beating in my tummy." The news of the baby comes one year after Dion announced her retirement from show business in order to start a family with husband/manager Rene Angelil. The child is due early next year.

Bobby Brown was sentenced to 75 days in jail on June 12 for violating his probation for a drunk driving conviction. However, on a better note, a prosecutor dropped a more serious charge against Brown. He failed his drug test by testing positive for cocaine. Instead Brown was accused of failing to take a drug test, to which he plead guilty. After the ruling Brown said, "I just want to continue on with my sobriety and get back home to my family." Brown's wife, Whitney Houston, released a statement saying: "I am glad there is finally an end to this situation. I look forward to getting on with our lives and careers, and most importantly, to Bobby being at home with me and the children."

Last week Dionne Warwick appeared on a local New York station WNBC's "Today in New York." Warwick was interviewed for being named one of the legendary singers over 60 by "People" magazine. During the final moments of the segment co-anchor Maurice DuBois asked Warwick about her cousin, Whitney Houston. DuBois asked about Houston's supposed problems with drug abuse and/or any plans for a family intervention on Houston's behalf. Warwick responded: "I have an answer for that. I think, basically, that it's none of your business. And if anybody does care about it, they would just wish her luck. It's what goes on behind closed doors, and it's just nobody's business."

Universal Pictures is suing Mike Myers for breaching his contract for the movie "Dieter." The movie was to be based upon one of Myers' characters, German Expressionist film buff (Sprockets), from Saturday Night Live. Universal is saying that he approved the script, while Myers is saying he hasn't. Myers decided to counter-sue Universal's \$5 million suit. He claims that the company tried to "bully" him into the film. Myers has withdrawn from the movie, which was scheduled to begin in August and earn him \$20 million.

These days stars are insuring their body parts with genuine insurance policies. Many times production companies insure a star's body parts during the time, which it takes to shoot a movie. Jennifer Lopez's assets are insured for \$300 million. Her body is insured for \$1 billion. Singers and musicians are also insured. Bruce Springsteen's vocals are insured for \$6 million. Rolling Stones' guitarist Keith Richards' has his right index finger insured for \$1.6

million. Dolly Parton's set of twins are insured for \$600,000. Entertainment Tonight reporter, Mary Hart has her legs insured for \$1 million each.

Former playmate Anna Nicole Smith is in court battling over her late husband's, J. Howard Marshall, estate. Marshall died in 1995. Smith was 26 when she met 87-year-old Marshall. Marshall's estate is worth an estimated \$1.5 billion. Marshall's son, Pierce is representing the family, who does not want to give Smith any of the money. Smith is so broke she had to file for bankruptcy. The trial is set to begin later this summer.

Janet Jackson's secret nine-year marriage to Rene Elizondo ended in divorce in a Los Angeles courtroom. Elizondo wrote more than 30 of Jackson's songs and has directed several of her videos. The two separated last year after being together since 1986 and marrying in 1991. Elizondo's attorney said that he would be challenging some aspects of the couple's prenuptial agreement because Rene was "instrumental in her career."

Puff Daddy has been telling his friends that he plans on freezing his sperm before his upcoming trial. Claiming it was Jennifer Lopez's idea, Puffy said that in case he ends up in prison for five years, Lopez wants to be prepared. In case she decides to start a family while he's still in jail, Lopez could have his test-tube baby whenever she's ready.

You could describe Jennifer Lopez's body as sexy but there is nothing appealing about her attitude. She demands that her sheets have a bare minimum thread count of 250. She must be chauffeured in a black Mercedes Benz with a male driver at all times. When she is not giving out demands she likes to talk trash. She had this to say about Madonna "She's nothing but a middle-aged has been. She should concentrate on bringing up her kid and forget about trying to sing or act." Lopez has also spoken badly about Gwyneth Paltrow saying, "She only has an acting career because she dated Brad Pitt." Aren't we a little hostile?

*NSYNC serenaded 12-year-old Rachel Coburn at her bar mitzvah in suburban Washington D.C. They sang for 40 minutes, then signed autographs and supposedly ate chopped chicken liver. Rachel's father is AOL executive David Coburn, who claims to have a relationship with *NSYNC. Of course paying the group's performance fee of \$250,000 doesn't do any harm either.

Supermodel Naomi Campbell blames her notorious anger on her father. In a recent "20/20" interview with Barbara Walters, Campbell, who showed up one hour late, said: "There are a lot of issues I have from childhood. For instance, not knowing your father, not seeing your mother. It manifests a lot of feelings. One of those feelings is anger." Campbell's father abandoned her before she was born. Her mother worked long hours so that Campbell could go to a private school for the performing arts. In February, Campbell plead guilty to the charge of assaulting her ex-assistant with a telephone. Another ex-employee accused Campbell of pushing her into a wall. Since those incidents Campbell said she has been to treatment in an American clinic and has learned to control her anger. She excuses anger as "insecurity, self-esteem and loneliness."

Alec Baldwin has to pay \$4,500 to Alan Zanger, a celebrity photographer. Baldwin beat up Zanger in 1995 when he took a picture of Baldwin's wife, Kim Basinger, and their newborn daughter in Ireland. Baldwin sprayed Zanger's truck with shaving cream and broke his glasses and nose. Baldwin was acquitted of misdemeanor battery charges. He won his invasion of privacy suit. However, Zanger won the case against Baldwin for damages.

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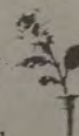
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Matt Bowser and Dustin Brisson, UCF's "Killer B" attack, has come to an end.

Arnold likely to return for senior year

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saves leaders, has already made his decision, opting to return for his final year and try his hand as a starter.

"I regrouped with my family and we thought that they (Cincinnati) might still come back with a ballpark figure with what we were looking for," Arnold said. "They didn't make any attempt to come close, which I don't even understand why they wasted a pick on me when they already knew what I wanted and expected."

"It (starting) looks like a logical idea. It's going to be tough to have two guys come in fresh and pick up 100 innings. It's a good idea for me personally and a good idea for the team as well."

Senior Casey Kennedy, the team's ace last year and one of the starters who must be replaced, saw his solid season rewarded in the 18th round, as the Los Angeles Dodgers made him the 537th selection. Seldom-used pitcher Dan Stillman, a junior, was also taken, as the Anaheim Angels saw enough promise in his arm to make him the 1378th selection in round 47.

Slugger Dustin Brisson, who was selected in the 24th round last year and turned down the New York Mets to return to UCF for his senior year, saw his number called by the Boston Red Sox in round 15 this year, as the 452nd player taken.

The football team took a hit, as quarterback prospect Tracy Thorpe, a strong-armed signal caller with a similar build to former star Daunte Culpepper, was chosen by the Toronto Blue Jays in the 11th round and

signed a contract with a 60,000 dollar bonus that had a stipulation that he must sign a waiver giving up football while he tries his hand in the minors. Thorpe, a standout right-handed pitcher, throws in the 90s, and was likely not in the football team's plans this season, although he will have to be replaced in next year's recruiting period.

UCF's baseball team got good news when late signee Bryan Moore, a first baseman from Indian River Community College, said he will play for the Golden Knights next year. Moore, who was chosen in the 32nd round by Oakland, was named to the Southern Conference first team this year.

He will be joined by fellow transfer Wayne Summers, an outfielder from Tallahassee Community College. Summers was a first-team all-Panhandle Conference performer after batting .387 with six home runs and 54 RBIs this season. Summers, who received TCC baseball's student-athlete award, was named second-team all-state. He is TCC's all-time leader in hits and will be the seventh former Eagle to play at UCF.

Those players will be joined by five incoming freshmen, none of whom were drafted. Those players are: left-handed pitcher Troy Bowden (St. Augustine/Nease HS), left-handed pitcher Paul Lubrano (Winter Springs/Oviedo HS), outfielder/first baseman Blaine Schulte (Oviedo/Oviedo HS), outfielder Scott Carmichael (Orlando/University HS) and right-handed pitcher Justin Cerrato (Clearwater/Clearwater HS).



Senior pitcher Casey Kennedy was an 18th-round selection of the Dodgers

Costantini
gained a strong
reputation for
recruiting at
UTEP.

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reputation as a strong recruiter, having signed nine of UTEP's 11 starters on last year's offense for the WAC school.

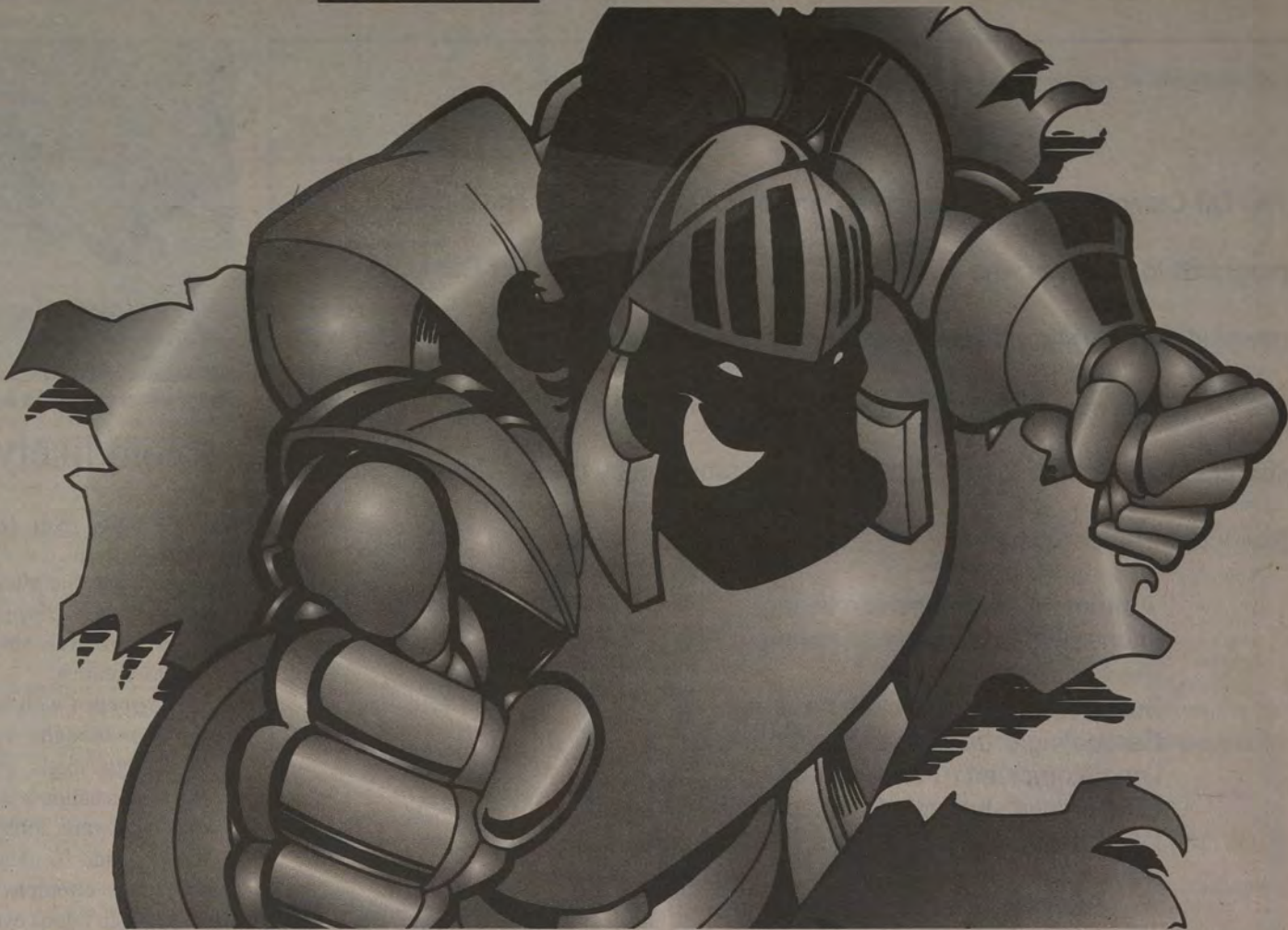
Costantini lettered at UTEP from 1986-89. He was a member of the 1988 team that won a school-record 10 games and played in the Independence Bowl. He came to UTEP as an offensive lineman before moving to defensive end and finally nose guard for his senior season. As a player, he was one of the team's strongest Miners, holding school records for bench press and squat.

After his playing career, he coached on the high school level and returned to UTEP in 1995 as assistant strength and conditioning coach. In 1996, he was promoted to defensive line coach while also retaining his responsibilities in strength and conditioning.

"He wants to be here," Kruczek said of his new hire. "He's just like (newly hired offensive line coach) Robert McFarland. You can see the intensity in this guy. He's 32 years old and he comes across like a defensive person. There was some conviction in his tone when he presented himself in the interview."

Costantini was one of two final candidates Kruczek brought in to fill the position. Costantini edged McNeese State assistant J.C. Harper for the job.

"They were about equal," Kruczek said. "I just felt like Lorenzo will be a part of our program for a long time and I'm looking for people that are going to stay, not jump in and jump out."



UCF to host 2001 TAAC Women's
Basketball, Track and Field Championships

TONY MEJIA
SPORTS EDITOR

The Trans America Athletic Conference spring meetings wrapped up earlier this month, and among the developments that came about was that UCF won its bid to host the 2001 Women's basketball conference tournament. The Track and Field championships will also be held on campus, giving UCF a home-field advantage in post season play.

In additon, UCF was also awarded the 2002 men's basketball tournament which has been held in Jacksonville the past two seasons and will be held in Atlanta next

year, being put on by Georgia State.

Championship bids were also awarded in the following sports, contingent on the Presidents Council's final approval:

2001 Men's Golf: Samford (StillWaters Resort, Dadeville, Ala.)
2001 Women's Golf: Mercer (The Landings Golf Club, Warner Robins, Ga.)
2001 & 2002 Tennis: Mercer
2002 Track & Field: Troy State

The membership also forwards to the Presidents Council a proposed change in the baseball series format which calls for three nine-inning contests to played sepa-

rately on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

TAAC series involving Campbell University, which has an institutional policy against Sunday play, will consist of a nine-inning doubleheader on Friday with a single nine-inning contest scheduled for Saturday.

In the TAAC All-Sports Championships, points will be awarded based on the final regular-season standings for all team sports (Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball, Softball, Baseball). Cross Country, Golf, Tennis and Track & Field will continue to have points awarded based on TAAC Championship finish.

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Six Golden Knights taken in baseball draft

TONY MEJIA
SPORTS EDITOR

UCF signee Dane Artman, the prize of this past year's recruiting class, was the first of seven players with ties to the Golden Knights to be selected in Major League Baseball's first-year player draft. The Westminster Academy hurler was selected in the third round by Milwaukee as the 81st player chosen, casting doubt on whether he'll ever throw a pitch in college, although as of this writing he remained unsigned.

Meanwhile, Jason Arnold, the pitcher the Golden Knights expected to lose due to his impressive standing among major league scout, slipped all the way to round 16, seeing 482 players go in front of him before the Cincinnati Reds finally selected him.

"My thoughts came from what scouts

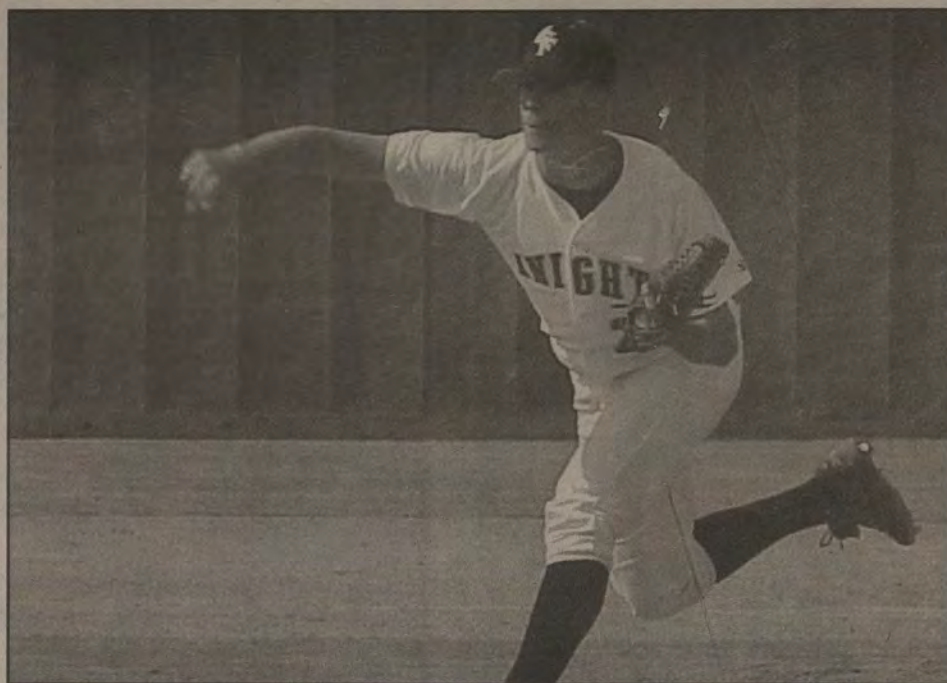
told me and from what different publications had written about me, which was between the second and fifth round," Arnold said. "Before the draft, that didn't seem unrealistic at all.

"Things didn't unfold like we expected them to."

Arnold actually went behind teammate Matt Bowser, who wasn't rated as high a prospect. Bowser, who led the Golden Knights in home runs and RBIs as a junior last season, struggled near the end of the year, but it didn't deter the Oakland Athletics from making him the 330th pick of the draft in the 11th round.

Despite unexpectedly going ahead of Arnold, Bowser wasn't thrilled with where he was selected, and may return for his senior season. Arnold, UCF's all-time

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Jason Arnold feels he and Cincinnati are too far apart for him to consider leaving UCF a year early.

Looking back only increases need to surge ahead

TONY MEJIA
SPORTS EDITOR

I'll always remember the final event I covered as sports editor of the UCF Future. It was the baseball regional at Tallahassee, where the Golden Knights once again knocked on the door of

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national recognition, saw it open, and then had it closed in their faces. There was FSU, one game away from being eliminated by the underdog Knights, but it managed to rally to win two straight over UCF and eventually earn a place in college baseball's final four.

As disappointing as it was, it was also to be expected. Cynicism becomes a healthy attribute when covering UCF athletics...you have to take everything with a grain of salt. A mindset like that comes about

after bearing witness to near miss after near miss. A first-ever bowl bid that never materializes, consecutive TAAC championship game losses in men's basketball, heart wrenching football losses at Mississippi, South Carolina, Auburn (twice), and most recently Georgia, thanks to a horrible call by bad officials. The list goes on and on.

At the same time, I wouldn't give up my time at UCF for anything in the world. No, covering national championships at FSU, Florida, and Miami would not have been as worthwhile as seeing the Golden Knights struggle for acceptance. Ten years from now, it will be more rewarding to say I saw the birth of a program, rather than catch it at a full grown stage.

Another reason UCF is so special is clearly the people that surround it. While I don't know Bobby Bowden or Steve Spurrier, Coach Mike Kruczek was someone I enjoyed watching

work. Never one to pull punches, Kruczek often had me wanting to throw down my tape recorder and and throw on pads to play for him in any capacity necessary. In fact, each member of the coaching staff at this university are quality individuals, a direct reflection of the gentleman at the helm of the program, Athletic Director Steve Sloan.

They have handled the lumps and setbacks that come with building a foundation with class and dignity, and never look back on things too long before looking ahead at the next obstacle.

For those entering UCF

this season, take my word for it, you have enrolled just in time to catch the next phase of the Knights' emergence, so take advantage of it. The athletic program continues to surge ahead, especially the football team, which has scheduled games against Virginia Tech, Alabama, Penn State, and Syracuse in the next few years. Support each of the school's sports, and balance your studies with school spirit. For those who have already been here, get involved. It will be worth it. I foresee a time when near misses won't be the theme surrounding the program.

So, while I look back and remember being there for the days of Daunte Culpepper, Mark Jones, Chariya Davis, and Eric Riggs, I'll also keep an eye on what is to come. This isn't a P.R. "fluff" piece, but rather what comes about as a result of watching UCF take its baby steps. I am leaving UCF to take a position, ironically, in the college sports division at CBS.Sportsline. In my heart, I know that it wouldn't have been possible without the nurturing of people around this university, specifically Windy Hall, Scott Wallin, and the coaches and players I've had the pleasure to be around. Thank you for everything.

The UCF Golden Knights are very close to finally knocking that invisible door down and stepping into college sports' elite. The conference affiliation, bowl bids, milestone victories and eventual national championships will read like a family album to me. As this program matures, I'll remember fondly on those near misses. They will be those things you look back on and laugh about when you're firmly entrenched on top.

Costantini added to football coaching staff

TONY MEJIA
SPORTS EDITOR

Former UTEP defensive line coach Lorenzo Costantini has been tabbed as UCF's newest assistant football coach, overseeing the team's defensive tackles and filling the vacancy created by the resignation of former coach Andy Cox.

Costantini, 32, is a former

player at UTEP who has been on staff there for five seasons.

"He stands for the right things, the things we stand for at UCF," Coach Mike Kruczek said. "He'll represent the program in a very, very positive way. He's a very enthusiastic and committed individual."

Costantini comes in with a

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Lorenzo Costantini gained a strong reputation for recruiting at UTEP.



The men's basketball team provided some heartbreak with some close calls in the post-season.